Stairways, Walkways, & Landings

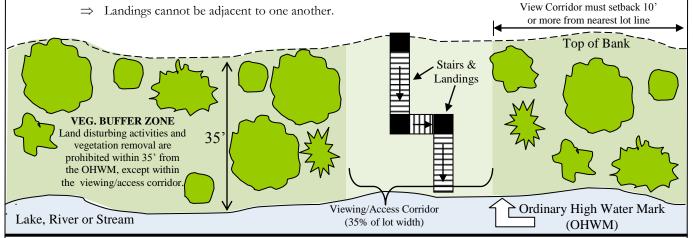
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All stairways, walkways, and landings: Must be constructed in a manner that <u>requires the least amount of land disturbance</u> <u>possible</u>. One pedestrian pathway (stairway, walkway, elevator/lift, etc.) for access to the water is allowed on each lot.

Above-grade stairways, walkways, and landings

Requires a General Land Use Permit and is subject to the following restrictions:

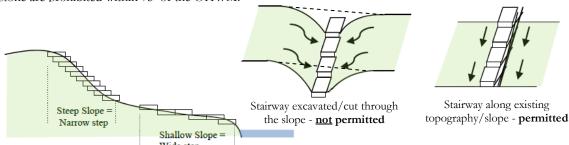
- Must be supported on piles or footings rather than being excavated from erodible soils.
- Canopies, roofs, benches and lattice work on such structures are prohibited.
- Must be located within the viewing/access corridor (area dedicated for a stairway/walkway which allows selective removal of vegetation). View/access corridor must be identified on permit application.
- Maximum width of 5 feet (outside dimensions).
- > Elevated landing requirements:
 - ⇒ A landing may not exceed 5' x 5' (outside dimensions).



At-grade stairways and walkways

Requires a **Grading** Permit and is subject to the following restrictions:

- At-grade stairway permits are reviewed on a case-by-case basis and some sites may not be eligible for an at-grade stairway. Soil types, slope, and proposed design determine whether a permit can be issued or if an above grade stairway which requires less land disturbance is required.
- Grading limitations may apply.
- Stairways must be constructed into/along the existing topography, so tread depth will vary with slope (see below).
- Excavating and cutting through a slope to lessen the incline is prohibited (see below).
- Canopies, roofs, benches and lattice work on such structures are prohibited.
- Maximum width of 5 feet (outside dimensions). Each step may not exceed a size of 5' x 5'.
- Must be located within the viewing/access corridor (area dedicated for a stairway/walkway which allows selective removal of vegetation). View/access corridor must be identified on permit application.
- Retaining walls of any kind, even when directly associated with a permitted stairway, including walls constructed with stone are prohibited within 75' of the OHWM.



<u>Trams, incline elevators, or lifts</u> may be permitted with the restrictions identified in the **above-grade** stairways, walkways, and landings. Property owner is responsible for obtaining any other applicable permits (i.e. State of WI).